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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
Shuyuan Zhang et al.

Serial No.: 09/203,078

Filed: December 1, 1998

For: METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION AND
PURIFICATION OF ADENOVIRAL
VECTORS

Group Art Unit: 1648

Examiner: M. Mosher

Atty. Dkt. No.: INRP:081

**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO
OFFICE ACTION DATED MARCH 20, 2001**

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Commissioner:

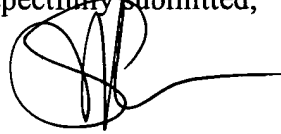
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicant petitions for an extension of time of two-months to and including June 20, 2001 in which to respond to the Office Action dated March 20, 2001.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, a check in the amount of \$390.00 is enclosed, which is the process fee (\$390.00) for a two-month extension of time.

If the check is inadvertently omitted, or should any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to the enclosed materials, or should an

overpayment be included herein, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct or credit said fees from or to Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. Account No.: 50-1212/10012499/SLH.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'SLH', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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